

24 October 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, DCI Security Committee

VIA: Executive Secretary
DCI Security Committee

FROM:
DCI Security Committee Staff

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SUBJECT: Request for Approval to Attend a
Computer Security Workshop

1. Request for Approval: The undersigned has been invited to participate in the National Bureau of Standards, Invitational Workshop on Audit and Evaluation of Computer Security II: System Vulnerabilities and Controls. This workshop is being held in Miami Beach, Florida during 28-30 November 1978. Your approval for this participation is requested.

2. Workshop Background and Objective: As stated in the invitation: "This workshop is a follow-on to the first NBS Invitational Workshop on Computer Security which consolidated the state-of-art information available in the field and defined areas for future research. The current NBS objective is to produce the basic sections for Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) Guideline on Audit and Evaluation of Computer Security. A major component of this guideline will be the description of system vulnerabilities and countering controls that this workshop will identify. Again, as in the first workshop, we are bringing together the foremost experts in the auditing and computer science communities to accomplish our goals."

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The benefits for SECOM/CIA participation are:

a. The opportunity to meet and discuss computer security problems and solutions with workshop participants such as Carl Hammer of Sperry UNIVAC, Richard Gultinan of Asther Anderson & Co., Bob Courtney of IBM, Ken Pollock of GAO, etc.

b. To assist in the preparation of an important Standard in computer security.

c. To determine the direction the non-DoD, non-Intelligence, government agencies are moving in computer security; and, if appropriate, influence this direction.

3. The cost for this participation is estimated at \$400.00 based on airfare of \$206.00 and 4 days expenses at \$50.00 per day. The request for actual expenses not to exceed \$50.00 per day is due to a \$28.00 per day room charges at the conference hotel.

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CONCURRENCE:

Executive Secretary, SECOM

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APPROVED:

Robert W. Gambino
Chairman, Security Committee

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